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National Archery in the Schools Program National Tournament

Returns to the Kentucky Exposition Center

LOUISVILLE, KY (May 2, 2013) – Archers will get their shot at a championship title when the National Archery in the Schools Program National Tournament returns May 9 – 11 to the Kentucky Exposition Center, South Wing ABC.

Competition starts Thursday, May 9, from 5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. – 8:15 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. A scholarship shoot-off and awards ceremony follow Saturday's competition. The National Archery in the Schools program will award scholarship money to four boys and four girls totaling \$50,000.

Schools from 37 states are expected to bring approximately 10,000 students to compete in the tournament, which is the largest archery tournament in the world. Tickets are \$5 per person (ages 8 and up). There will be archery, outdoor and interactive shooting exhibits alongside the competition. Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per vehicle.

The National Archery in the Schools Program gives students an opportunity to learn and practice outdoor skills. Studies show the program has helped increase student confidence, focus and improves behavior.

For more information visit <http://www.nasparchery.com/activea.asp>.

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One of the top 10 largest public facilities of its kind in the United States, the Kentucky Exposition Center features 1.2 million square feet of indoor space including Freedom Hall, an indoor arena which seats over 19,000 people. The facility's class "A" exhibit space totals 425,700 square feet and accommodates an amazing spectrum of events year round. The expo center is the permanent home for the Kentucky State Fair, the National Farm Machinery Show, and the North American International Livestock Exposition. Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, the Kentucky Exposition Center is easily accessible and just five minutes south of downtown Louisville. Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per vehicle. For more information, go online to www.kyexpo.org.